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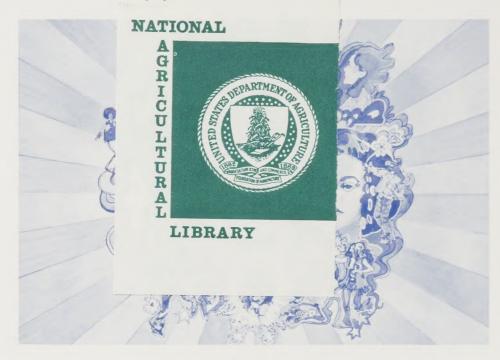
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a new day-a new way *

4-H is the youth education program of the Cooperative Extension Service. It is conducted jointly by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the State Land-Grant Universities, and County governments. Two non-government organizations which team with Extension to advance 4-H work are the National 4-H Service Committee and the National 4-H Club Foundation.



The 50th National 4-H Congress was highlighted by a visit from President Richard Nixon.





4-H is adults and young people from urban centers to countryside...





From all races, incomes, and backgrounds...



Sharing, working, and having fun learning together.





4-H is adaptable to youth wherever they live.

4-H'ers may be guided by one of the half million adult volunteers...





Teen or junior leaders...



Or they may try a project on their own...



Or with the help of a friend.

Some 4-H'ers participate through television.









4-H is a chance to exchange ideas with leaders in government and business...



Or plan and discuss with other youth and adults.



A team of older members help tell the 4-H story around the nation.

At the National 4-H Center, teens attend workshops in citizenship and leadership....





Professional Extension workers and adult volunteers from around the world also get practical training.



The world of 4-H can start at home with exploring foods, costumes, and crafts...





Or having a foreign visitor in your home to learn from and to teach.

4-H'ers try
to make
their
communities
better by
teaching the
less
fortunate
some skills
they have
learned...





Providing equipment or serving snacks for a nursing home...
Or sharing experiences with the deaf.









Each does what he can to improve community facilities...

With action or call to action.





Environmental improvement-minded 4-H'ers learn about nature...





In its many forms.



Some plant forage crops for wild animals...



Or start seedlings to replace timber for environmental balance.



Learning about nutrition can be fun-whether in a club meeting, growing your own food...



Or preparing it at camp or a workshop.







In the city, the 4-H Fair may be a carnival in an apartment complex.



Vegetables like these are grown in urban mini gardens. Many projects are enjoyed in rural and urban areas alike... Such as small engines...



Veterinary science...







Crafts and photgraphy...





And consumer education.

With the new day and new ways in 4-H, a youngster can find anything he wants from karate to a band...





From theatrics to television education...









And from production to marketing.



But now as always--the 4-H'er behind the project is the most important.



4-H IS YOUNG PEOPLE LEARNING AND DOING

Total Youth Served in 1971

Members in Organized 4-H Clubs	2,119,038
Youth in 4-H Special Interest Groups	370,008
Instructional 4-H TV Members	482,154
(In addition to above)	
Special 4-H-Type Nutrition Programs for City Youth	560,238
Other Youth Contacted or Provided Information	1,423,162
Total	4,954,600

33.6% - lived on farms

42.6% - lived in towns under 10,000 and open country

12.1% - lived in towns and cities 10,000 to 50,000

6.0% - lived in suburbs of cities of over 50,000

5.7% - lived in central cities of over 50,000.

28% - came from families with incomes below the poverty level.

17% - are of minority ethnic groups.

Volunteer Leadership in 4-H - 1971

Adult 4-H Leaders	342,436
Junior and Teen Leaders	159,094
Volunteer Leaders Assisting in the special 4-H-type	
Nutrition Programs for City Youth	33,153
Leaders of Other Youth Organizations Assisted or Trained	84,756

Most Popular Projects - 1971

Animal Science, Production	1,078,897
Clothing	752,824
**Food and Nutrition	739,720
Recreation, Arts, Crafts	492,655
Plant Science, Crops	479,454
Community Service, Citizenship	406,813
Conservation — Soil, Water, Wildlife, Forestry	350,722
Health, Physical Fitness	291,486
Personal Development	279,213
Safety, Emergency Preparedness	257,920
Tractor, Small Engines, Automotive	190,530
Home Improvement and Furnishings	182,755
Public Speaking	172,178
Bicycle Care and Safety	165,247
Electric	119,197
Woodworking and Other Shop	117,949
Family Life, Child Care	108,681
Photography	98,944
Home Management, Money Management	91,871
Career Exploration	69,326
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^{**}Does not include youth who participate in activities in connection with the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program.